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May 1, 2001

Mr. D. Wayne Hedberg
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P. O. Box 145801
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Re: Tentative Approval to Commence LMO for Lone Pine Quarry, M003/050, Box Elder County,
Utah dated February 21, 2002

Dear Wayne:

Enclosed are two complete corrected sets of the Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations for the Lone Pine Quarry, M003/050 located in Box Elder County, Utah. Maps and Appendixes include those from the original NOI submittal signed July 31, 2001, revisions submitted November 16, 2001, and revisions submitted January 29, 2002; whichever submittal was approved by DOGM.

Corrections/changes needed for the approved NOI were written into the documents submitted. These corrections are listed separately in a three page supplement titled "Corrections Needed for Approved NOI dated April 30, 2002." All changes are underlined. No changes were made to any maps excepting the one originally submitted with Appendix B; Soil Data. The changes to this map reflect the reduction in planned and potential development submitted November 16, 2001, as shown on the Maps C, D, E, and F included with this NOI.

Other corrections/changes relate to the correctly identified property owners, references to the property owners from singular to plural case, and descriptions for maps submitted with the revisions of November 16, 2001 and January 29, 2002, but not described in those revisions. Appendix E was added to include a copy of the letter from the property owners dated January 31, 2002.

The Reclamation Contract Form MR-RC, and the form for the type of surety will follow when funding has been secured. The operator is investigating the possibility of purchasing a surety bond. A copy of the US Department of the Treasury's Circular 570 was obtained, and from it the companies approved by DOGM. We have been informed the process for obtaining a surety bond is quite involved so there will be some delay in obtaining approval from the surety company.

Sincerely,

David J. Ryzak
David J. Ryzak
for Bruce Mitchell

Enclosures

cc: Bruce Mitchell; Gold Star Stone, Inc.

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Lone Pine Quarry**

M/003/050

Corrections Needed for Approved NOI dated April 30, 2002.

In order to clean up some loose ends on the final for this NOI some corrections/changes are needed. Corrections/changes needed are underlined. Comments are shown in [brackets].

I. Rule R647-4-104 - Operator(s), Surface and Mineral Owners

[Changes needed to identify the correct property owners: Gary N. & Nancy I. Nelson.]

6. Ownership of the land surface: Private (Fee)
Name: Gary N. & Nancy I. Nelson Address: 5422 N. 400 E.; Hagerman, Idaho 83332
7. Owner of record of the minerals to be mined: Private (Fee)
Name: Gary N. & Nancy I. Nelson Address: 5422 N. 400 E.; Hagerman, Idaho 83332
8. Adjacent land owners:
Name: Keith Nelson Address: Almo, Idaho 83312
Name: Pickett Land & Sheep Co. Address: 1650 S. 568 W.; Oakley, Idaho 83346
Name: James L. & Virginia Porter Address: 1756 S. 2000 W.; Delta, Utah 84624
Name: Bridge Grazing Assn. Inc. Address: Malta, Idaho 83342

II. Rule R647-4-105 - Maps, Drawings & Photographs

[Additions needed to describe maps which have been added since the original of this NOI was submitted; including Map C-1, Map C-2, Map E-2, and Map E-3. Descriptions for Map G, and Map H were rewritten. None of these maps have been changed in any way from those approved by DOGM.]

105.2 - Surface Facilities Maps

Map C-1. Existing and Proposed Development in the South Quarry and the south portion of the East Quarry at a scale of 1" = 200'. Details of existing development are shown for the South Quarry, plus planned stone storage for both the South Quarry and the East Quarry. Location of the soil sample is also shown.

Map C-2. Existing and Proposed Development in the South Quarry and the East Quarry at a scale of 1" = 200'. Also shown is the area for possible future development, and cross section locations.

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Map G. Cross Sections of current and proposed development in the South Quarry and East Quarry at a scale of 1" = 200'.

105.3 - Reclamation Treatments Maps

Map E-2. Access Roads proposed to be left for the property owners' use following cessation of mining activities at a scale of approximately 1" = 1200'. See Rules R647-4-110.2, R647-4-111.8, and R647-4-112.

Map E-3. Highwalls After Reclamation in the South Quarry and East Quarry at a scale of 1" = 200'.

Map H. Cross Sections of Surface Contours After Reclamation in the South Quarry and East Quarry at a scale of 1" = 200'.

VII. Rule R647-4-110 - Reclamation Plan

[Only the first and last paragraphs of Rule R647-4-110.2 have changes, and then only from owner's to owners', from owner to owners, from his to their; from Gary N. Nelson to Gary N. Nelson and Nancy I. Nelson; ie from singular case to plural case. In the case of the letter, from is being to was; ie from future tense to past tense.]

110.2 - Reclamation of roads, highwalls, slopes, leach pads, dumps, etc.

Roads to the quarrying area were constructed to serve the land owners' cattle operation, and will continue to be used on the private land for this purpose. This is the 21,936 feet of access roads measured by DOGM. A road was constructed in 2001 to allow the owners to reach the ridgeline of their property on a lesser grade than from the existing road. The new road goes to the east side of the North Quarry, then continues to the north along the ridge line. The roads are shown on **Map E-2**.

[The unchanged paragraphs have been left out.]

The land owners, Gary N. Nelson and Nancy I. Nelson, wrote a letter to the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining requesting that the improved sections of the access road remain after mining is completed. Included in this request is the new road that was constructed in 2001. The older access road and the new access road are shown on **Map E-2**. The letter from Gary N. Nelson and Nancy I. Nelson was sent under separate cover.

110.5 - Revegetation planting program and topsoil redistribution
a) Soil Material Replacement

[Only the second paragraph under part a) has been revised.]

A soils analysis from a soil sample taken north of the existing South Quarry is included as Appendix A. Location of the soil sample is shown on Map C and Map C-1.

[There are no changes to parts b) through f) of this rule.]

VIII. **R647-4-111 - Reclamation Practices**

[Only the underlined words have been changed. See comments under Rule R647-4-110.]

111.8 - All roads & pads reclaimed

The original 21,936 feet of access road will continue to be used by the land owners to access and support their cattle ranch. In addition, the road that was constructed in 2001 and referred to under Rule R-647-4-110.2, will be used by the land owners to access and support their cattle ranch. A variance has been requested to not reclaim these roads.

Roads in the immediate vicinity of the quarry operation and shown on the reclamation maps submitted with the original and revisions to this application will be reclaimed to the standards discussed under other the other rules applying to large mining operations.

[Rule R647-4-111.12 was rewritten. It could be deleted since it doesn't add any real information to the NOI, but is included here since it was included in the original submittal.]

111.12 - Topsoil redistribution

Data originally requested under R647-4-106.5 and 106.6 is discussed under Rules R647-4-106.5, 106.6, 107.5, 107.6, 110.2, and 110.5.

IX. **Rule R647-4-112 - Variance**

[Only the underlined words have been changed. See comments under Rule R647-4-110.]

A variance is requested in regards to rule R647-4-110.2 and rule R647-4-111.8 in regards to reclamation of the original 21,936 feet of access road and the road that was constructed in 2001. These roads are shown on **Map E-2**. The land owners Gary N. Nelson and Nancy I. Nelson plan to continue to use these roads to access their cattle ranching operation, and desire to have these roads left at the width and grade they will be at the cessation of mining by Gold Star Stone. The land owners sent a letter under separate cover requesting that these roads be left for their use. A copy of the letter is included as Appendix E.